## COMMEMORATING THE QUADRICENTENNIAL ANNI-VERSARY OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE FIRST SETTLEMENT IN FLORIDA

JUNE 18, 1956.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. Frazier, from the Committee on the Judiciary, submitted the following

## REPORT

[To accompany H. Con. Res. 225]

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 225) to commemorate the quadricentennial anniversary of the establishment of the first settlement in Florida, having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the resolution do pass.

## GENERAL STATEMENT

This resolution is designed to direct national attention to a significant historical event, that is, the first recorded attempt to establish a European settlement in the continental United States. This was by Don Tristan de Luna, in Florida, at Pensacola in 1559. That community is now planning an extensive celebration of the 400th anniversary of that event in 1959. This resolution involves no expenditure of funds. It merely calls national attention to this event and directs that a copy of this indication of congressional good will be sent to the Governor of Florida, the mayor of Pensacola and the Fiesta of the Five Flags Association.

Each year in Pensacola the Fiesta of the Five Flags is celebrated. It is a weeklong celebration commemorating the landing of Don Tristan de Luna and his colonists. The 5 flags signify the 5 sovereignties which have held Pensacola since that time—Spain, France, Great Britain, the Confederate States of America, and the United States of America. In 1959 an extensive celebration is planned—one which will be of national moment. For that reason, the Committee on the Judiciary favorably reports House Concurrent Resolution 225 so that national interest may be directed to this historic celebration.

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